Dear Folks:

I think it is extremely important to maintain FCC regulations that prevent more broadcast ownership consolidation. American culture has degraded over my lifetime (40+ years) so that the value of inquiry into one's own nature and the nature of society, and diversity of opinion in this inquiry have become deeply underappreciated. This is evident in the me-first and screw-you ethics that have come to dominate American social, economic and political behavior. It really very repugnant. These ethics can be easily recognized in contemporary lowest-common-denominator, mass media productions, which will continue to influence development of the national mindset in this manner if more consolidation is allowed to occur.

We must maintain a diversity of expression, and lossening FCC regulations would be the wrong thing to do.

Sincerely,

Wat Stearns